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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: SHADE COMPONENT REMOVING APPARATUS AND SHADE
COMPONENT REMOVING METHOD FOR REMOVING SHADE IN IMAGE

Enclosed are:

22 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
 Declaration and Power of Attorney.
 Priority Claimed.
 Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-211190
 5 sheets of formal drawing.
 An assignment of the invention to Minolta Co., Ltd.
and the assignment recordation fee.
 An associate power of attorney.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
 Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and references.
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Multiple Dependent Claim(s)					\$0.00
Basic Fee					\$710.00
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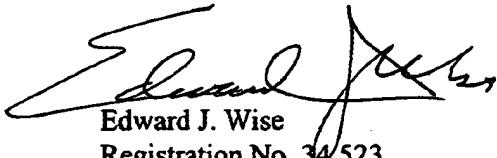
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